

EL PASO'S FOREIGN-TRADE ZONE No. 68









What is a Foreign-Trade Zone

- ✓ A secure area located in or near a Port of Entry, legally outside the U.S. Customs territory, where foreign and domestic goods can be brought for storage, manipulation, manufacturing and/ or distribution, without a formal Customs entry or payment of Customs duties.
- ✓ Legally outside the U.S. Customs Territory
- ✓ FTZ Board has authority to approve manufacturing activity based on public interest

What can you do in a Foreign-Trade Zone?

- Assemble
- Destroy
- Exhibit
 - Repair

- Repackage
- Store
- Test and inspect
- Manufacture





What Markets can use the Zone?





- Apparel & Textile products
- Automotive parts and components
- Consumer Electronics (computers, printers, cell phones, cable decoders, LCD & Plasma TVs, vacuum cleaners)



- Food products
- Green technology (solar, wind, electric)
- Medical supplies & equipment
- Metals & minerals
- Petroleum products (gasoline, jet fuel)
- Plastic and rubber products
- Pharmaceutical products









Benefits to Businesses

- ✓ **Duty Deferral**: Provide cash flow savings, reduce cost on seasonal goods
- ✓ Duty Elimination: Goods re-exported or destroyed
- ✓ **Duty Reduction** (Inverted Tariff Relief) in a manufacturing zone, owner of goods can elect to pay duties on components or on a finished good, whichever is less
- ✓ <u>Direct Delivery</u>: Allows direct shipment from port & logistical savings
- ✓ Weekly Entry & Weekly Export: Save on customs broker fees, merchandise processing fee, and streamlined import/export processes, not available in free trade agreement environments
- ✓ No ad valorem taxes: No inventory taxes on foreign goods, and domestic goods exported from zone
- ✓ Improved Inventory control: provides operational efficiencies and improved regulatory compliance
- Military Sales: If you sell goods from an FTZ to US military or NASA, there is no duty.
- ✓ Avoid Customs Fines & Seizures: Goods without marking, visa or quota documentation can be admitted into the zone
- ✓ No Duty on Waste, Labor, Overhead and profits





Example- Duty Deferral

Product A is <u>received</u> in FTZ January 2.
No Duty paid.

Adr<mark>nitted</mark> to zone



Transferred to US Commerce

Product A is shipped out April 10. Duty is paid.

Company deferred duty for three months





Example- Duty Elimination

Product A is <u>received</u> in FTZ January 2.

No Duty paid.







Product A is shipped out April 10. No Duty is paid.

Company does not have to pay Customs duties and/or fees





Duty Reduction in a Manufacturing Zone

Admitted





Component A 15% Duty Rate Component B 8% Duty Rate

Component C 6.5% Duty Rate

Final Product Duty Rate

Component A 4% Duty Rate

Component B 4% Duty Rate Component C 4% Duty Rate

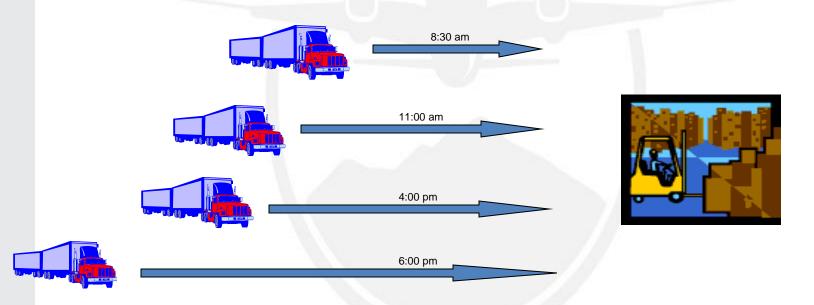
Company paid 4% Duty on finished good





Example- Direct Delivery

- Allows "in bond" shipments to be shipped directly into a FTZ without having filed and approved an FTZ admission application, instead of having to file an admission for each shipment.
- All shipments admitted under one FTZ Admission Application, filed at the end of business day. One cumulative admission covers all shipments within a 24 hour period, saving time and money!







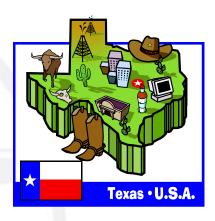
Weekly Entry

Direct Entry to US (None FTZ)





35 shipments received per week, requires filing of 35 Customs Entries. MPF paid is \$7,200

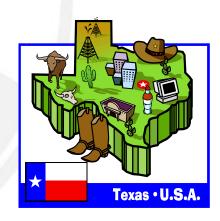


Foreign-Trade Zone





35 shipments admitted to FTZ, and entered to US Commerce under 1 weekly Customs Entry. MPF maximum paid is capped at \$485







Manufacturing Business Incentive (MBI)

The MBI is an incentive created to help manufacturing businesses. **Available only in El Paso.** MBI reduces FTZ start-up cost:

- Grantee application fee is waived.
- Grantee activation fee is waived.
- Grantee annual fee and transactions fees, if applicable, are waived for first year.
- Receive start up support from FTZ No. 68 Grantee/Operator. FTZ Operations Training fees are also waived for up to four (4) key employees.

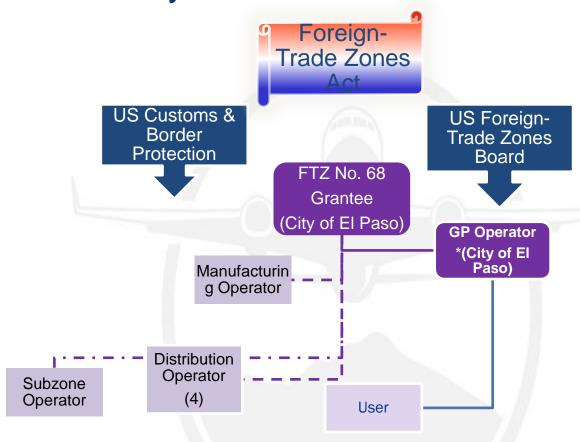








Authority Structure – FTZ No. 68



^{*}Coordination with Participating Government Agencies that affect FTZ activity: Census Bureau, Food & Drug Adm., EPA, Fish & Wildlife, CPSC, DOT, ATTTB, DOE, US Commercial Service, State Dept. Also, coordination with state & local agencies, and NGOs.



Site 1, Airport – 1,065 acres

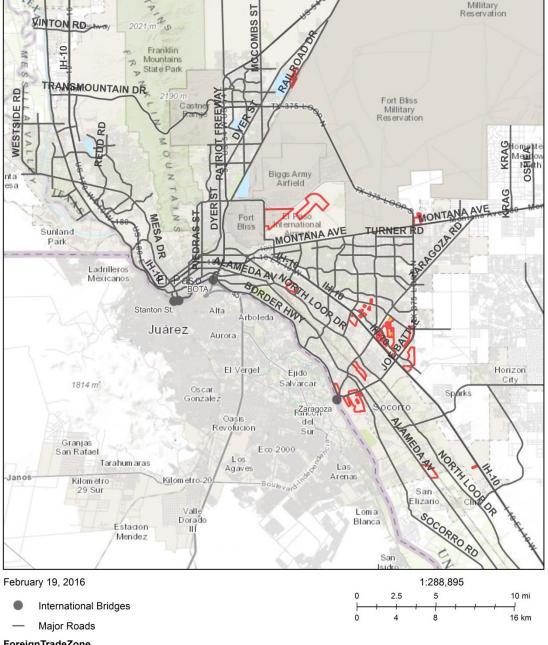
Site 2, Mission Valley – 797 acres

Site 3, East Region – 1,356 acres

Site 4, Central Region – 130 acres

Site 5, Northeast Region – 95acres

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ForeignTradeZone

FTZ General-Purpose

Subzone

Sources: Esri, HERE, DeLorme, Intermap, increment P Corp., GEBCO, USGS, FAO, NPS, NRCAN, GeoBase, IGN, Kadaster NL, Ordnance Survey, Esri Japan, METI, Esri China (Hong Kong), swisstopo, Mapmylndia, © OpenStreetMap contributors, and the GIS User Community



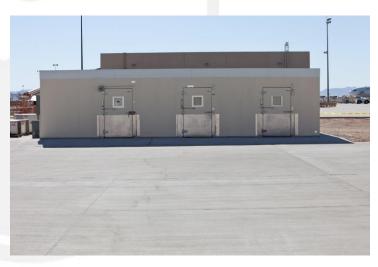
FTZ No. 68: One Hub - Numerous Sites

The International Trade
Processing Center is the
region's only **one stop shop**for international trade:

- US Customs & Border Protection (CBP) & Federal Inspection Area for air cargo
- FTZ No. 68 Administrative Office
- EPIA's Perishables Center

The Zone has over 3,400 acres of FTZ designation in six regional sites. It contains numerous industrial parks in El Paso that can accommodate any large or small project.









Role as FTZ No. 68 Grantee

Operate Grant of Authority – 15 CFR 400

- Liaison to US Foreign-Trade Zones Board: Annual Report
 - & Coordination with FTZ consultants on applications
- International Trade Starting Point (Promotion)
 - Trade Conference Networking, Export & FTZ Info.
 - COEP trade mission organizer promotes export-focused trade missions for the purpose of growing El Paso exports and creating jobs
 - Foreign Trade Promotion Foster international cooperation
 regional economic development









- Business development Regional coordination, Soft landing support
- Startup -- Prospective businesses have various options to use an FTZ:
 - Utilize a 3rd Party Logistics Warehouse that offers FTZ services
 (Interested party should contact 3PL directly for rates, See website list in <u>About FTZ No. 68</u>)
 - 2. Activate a Distribution Facility in the General Purpose Zone.
 - a. Prospective business can be set up as an FTZ User where a company operates under the Customs bond of the City (Fees are based on transaction activity)
 - b. Prospective business if owner of goods can activate as its own Distribution Operator (annual fee based)





Role as FTZ No. 68 General-Purpose Operator

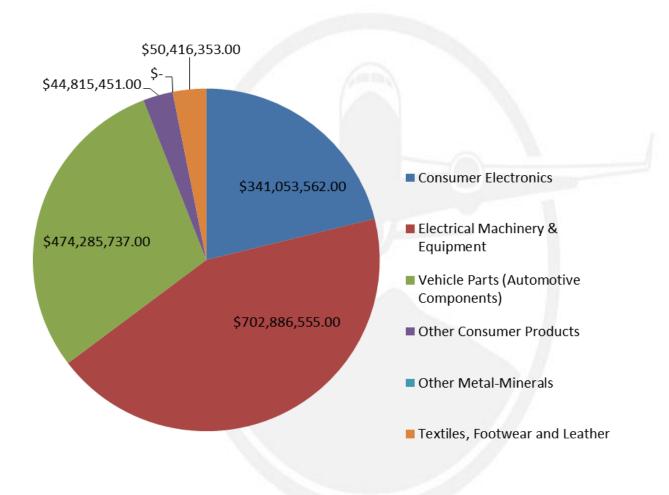
Direct Services to Trade Community – 19 CFR 146

- FTZ Document support to Customers with Customs & monthly reconciling - reduces liability
- FTZ Users can use our E-214 admission system free
- FTZ Training seminars to users, site operators, & customs brokers (only grantee/operator in the nation)
- Perform compliance audits of Users & annual reporting to CBP
- Liaison with federal agencies on FTZ transactions & mitigation of CBP fines/penalties



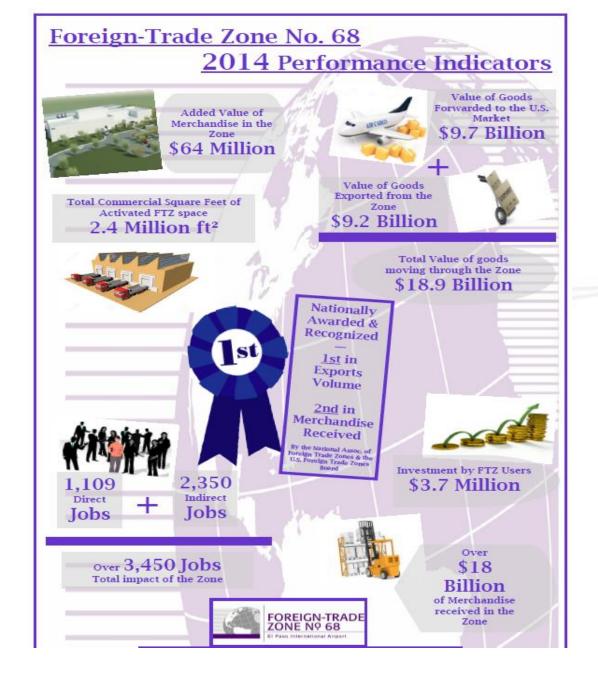


FTZ No. 68 Major Categories for 2014 (US Dollars)











Recognitions

- Recognized by National Association of Foreign-Trade Zones on Sept. 30, 2015, annual conference with the 2014 Top Exporter in Distribution Activity
- Achievements in FTZs, Excellence Award in Economic Development by Business Facilities Magazine, 2015
- Honorable Mention in "Global Free Zones of the Year 2014", fDi, Financial Times Group
- Ranked # 2 in Top 25 US Foreign Trade Zones, by Global Trade magazine (Sept./Oct. 2013)
- Achievements in FTZs, Excellence Award in Economic Development by Business Facilities Magazine, 2013
- Ranked # 28 Best Airport Zones among the "Top 50 Global Free Zones of the Future 2012/13", by fDi Magazine, 2012



fDi Global Free Zones of the Year 2014 – Honorable Mention – Americas FTZ No 68, El Paso, US









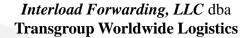






































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